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# MCSA NEWS



Monthly Newsletter



## 2019 New Beginnings

2019 was our best year yet! The event took place at the beautiful Geneva Golf & Country Club, and hosted over 200 attendees, nearly 100 items to auction, and an incredible feeling of community. This fundraiser allows the Domestic Violence Shelter to remain open and give women and children a safe place to rebuild, so the ongoing success of this annual event is crucial. Thank you to our sponsors, donors, attendees, volunteers, local media outlets, and venue for an perfect evening!

### New Projects

Many new projects are on the horizon at MCSA! The team at MCSA is working to install a playground adjacent to our 4th Street housing property in the near future, with funds awarded via the Alliant Energy Foundation. Outdoor play is important, as is giving youth a safe location to release energy and spend time together. We are excited to bring this longtime goal to fruition.

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### Birdies for Charity

Fore! Birdies for Charity, an annual fundraiser coinciding with the John Deere Classic, is approaching in July and we are excited to participate again this year. Anyone can pledge to raise funds for their favorite charity, and/or pledge to give for each birdie made at the Classic. MCSA is proud to be a listed charity once again. John Deere also donates bonus dollars to every participating charity, last year we received an 8.2% bonus! If you would like more details, please contact MCSA at 563-264-3278.

#### Did You Know?

Did you know that interested community members, classes, groups, and others can schedule tours of our facility? In the past we have given tours to grade school classes, groups from Muscatine Community College, local funding groups, teams of volunteers, and more. We love to engage with people, answer questions, provide new insight, and see smiling faces come through our doors. Please call MCSA at 563-264-3278 if you or a group you are involved with would like to tour our building.

At the beginning of April, we welcomed a sixth grade class from West Middle School to take a walk around our facility, and they surprised us with handmade blankets for our guests! The students asked a lot of great questions, gave Boots some love, and took away some facts to share with others about our shelter programs. Thank you West Middle School students, it was great to meet you all!

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Interested in assisting with the Food Pantry? Contact Pam Keefe, Food Program Manager: Pkeefe@mcsaiowa.org
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